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MAY NOT BE REPAIRED

When it was learned Friday that the Kent county Levy Court had refused to award the contract for the new road to the lighthouse, the citizens of Bombay Hook Island gave up all hope of having the Woodland Beach road repaired in time for this season's trade. It will take the contractors six weeks to build the lighthouse road after the bid is given out and work on the causeway to Woodland cannot be commenced until that is done. It looks as if the breaks in the banks near the lighthouse which are responsible for the bad condition of the Woodland road will cost the county several thousands of dollars, although the road is seldom used, while on the other hand the causeway leading to Woodland is in constant use. This piece of road has cost $100,000 in eighteen years, a sufficient amount of money to have bridged the two miles of marsh. If the Kent county trolley company runs its line to the beach it may assist in building the causeway, but it is not thought the company will extend the trolley to the bayside on account of the length of the marsh and the cost of placing a bridge across it.

WILL IMPROVE THE COLLEGE

A meeting of the trustees of Delaware College was held Friday. They met to hear the report of the Committee on Repair and Improvement of the College Buildings. The committee made its report, in which it recommended an addition to each wing of the old dormitory building and a thorough renovation of the entire building. The additions to the original college buildings to be sixty-five feet long and thirty feet broad, and erected across the east and west wings respectively, to occupy not more than 15 feet of each wing. This will make a great improvement and will make of the old structure a handsome building. Many are sorry that the old building is to be changed in any way, as its historic appearance carries with it many pleasant memories of years gone by.

AUDITORS ARE DELAYED

Attorney-General Ward's investigation of the business methods of the Levy Court has deferred the return to Judge Spruance of the report made of the court's work of last year by Charles C. Kurtz and L. Scott Townsend, auditors. The report of the auditors was presented to Judge Spruance Monday afternoon, but when Messrs. Kurtz and Townsend explained that it did not contain entries of certain bills and vouchers, which are the subject of Mr. Ward's investigation, Judge Spruance directed that the report be withheld till such time as Mr. Ward completes his work. The auditors say the embodiment of these facts in the report will necessitate another audit of the county books, which work will not be finished for at least two months.

SCARCITY OF SHAD

The small catches of shad and the heavy demand, with the resultant high prices, which are more than double that of last year, has caused the fishermen and farmers to hesitate about salting down the usual supplies of the fish for winter use.

The catches during the past week at New Castle amounted to about one-third of the catch of one year ago. The prices are $25 per hundred for the fish as caught without sorting, and last season they netted $6 to $10. Bucks or melts are selling at $9, where they sold at $3.50 to $4.50 per hundred last season. The May run of fish is now on and are firm and fine and consist mainly of roes, which are selling at $20 per hundred.

Farmer Held For Resisting Officer

Robert J. Holson, a farmer, was committed to jail on Saturday in default of $500 bail by Magistrate Hutton, of Dover, for resisting and cursing constables. Holson refused to pay a sum of money which Emory Scotten claimed was due, and Constable Brown and Special Officer Harrington went with Scotten to Holson's farm to seize his horses. Holson had armed himself and stoutly resisted the officers, but was finally subdued and handcuffed. In the fight Holson gave Scotten a forcible kick, which knocked him down.

Committees Endorse Ticket

The Union and the Regular Republican First District Committees met Monday evening and endorsed the Republican ticket nominated on Saturday. At both committee meetings addresses were delivered by successful and defeated candidates. They all pledged themselves to support the successful nominees. At the Regular committee meeting addresses predicting success at the June election were delivered by Howard D. Ross, David J. Reinhardt and James H. Morris. —*Wilmington Sun.*

Consecrated Four Altars

Four new white marble altars in the chapel at St. Joseph's Industrial School, Clayton, were consecrated on Wednesday morning by Bishop Monaghan. They are named "Our Lady of the Sacred Heart," "St. Joseph of the Fields," "Wonder-Workers' Shrine," and "Poor Soul's Shrine." In the afternoon the bishop blessed a new bell. The very Rev. J. R. Slattery, superior of the St. Joseph's Order, preached.

Complimented Delaware's Cadets

Major Davis, of Governor's Island, inspected the cadets at Delaware College on Friday at noon. The drill exercises were held in the Armory on account of the rain storm which prevailed at the time. The major found the cadets to be proficient in the manual of arms, and in marching maneuvers, and complimented them on their good showing. Captain Aris is military instructor at the college.

CRUSHED BY WHEELS

Ella Vawkoski, aged four years, was run over by an electric car on the Maryland avenue line, Wilmington, Monday evening, and was so seriously injured that she died just as she was being carried into the Delaware Hospital. Both her legs were practically severed by the car wheels. Ella lived at No. 130 Bird street, and was running across Maryland avenue at Logan street when the unfortunate accident occurred. It was about 6.35 o'clock, and car No. 40, was passing at the time.

The car was in charge of J. W. Millis, conductor, and Frank Bedwell, motorman. The brakes were applied when the child was seen dashing across the street, but it was too late, and the little one was knocked down. The wheels passed over her legs, between the knees and the hips, crushing and almost severing them. S. C. McKeever, druggist, nearby, summoned the Phoenix ambulance, which lost no time in responding. Meanwhile the parents of the injured girl were notified of the accident, and when they saw the mangled condition of their daughter, both fainted in the street.

DR. DOWNS BURIED

Dr. Morton E. Downs, whose sudden death in Wilmington caused such a sensation throughout the State, was buried from his late home in Magnolia Sunday afternoon, and the funeral was one of the largest ever seen in Kent county. The services were conducted by Rev. G. Emmett Wood, pastor of Magnolia Methodist Episcopal Church, assisted by Rev. J. D. Kemp, of Felton, and interment was made in Odd Fellows' Cemetery, Camden.

Diamond Lodge, Ancient Order of United Workman, and Miona Tribe, Improved Order of Red Men, of which societies Dr. Downs was a prominent member, participated in the burial service, each lodge furnishing three pallbearers. Grand Trustee, J. T. Hoffecker, and Master Workman, A. B. Magee, of the A. O. U. W., and B. T. Conwell, of the Red Men, conducted the services for the secret societies.

SHEEP DIE OF HYDROPHOBIA

James Jones, a farmer living near Smyrna has had a heavy loss in sheep during the past two weeks and is alarmed for fear his cattle are affected. A month ago a strange dog visited Mr. Jones' farm and when discovered was playing havoc with the sheep in the field. The animal was killed as it seemed to be suffering with the rabies. The sheep that had been bitten were placed in a pen to await developments with the result that nine of them died with the hydrophobia. Last week two more of Mr. Jones' sheep died with the same disease and there is considerable uneasiness felt by the farmers of the neighborhood as it is likely other stock on nearby farms will be affected.

Georgetown to Celebrate

Governor Hunn, Secretary of State Layton, former Governor Ebe W. Tunnell and Associate Justice William H. Boyce, will be guests of honor at the big celebration of Memorial Day to be held at Georgetown on May 30th, by the Grand Army Posts and Sons of Veterans. There will be several bands of music, and from a stand in the public square addresses will be delivered by the well-known Episcopal orator, Rev. Jesse C. Taylor, of Milton; Attorney-General Herbert H. Ward, of Wilmington; Rev. Adam Stengle, of Georgetown, and former Secretary of State William F. Causey.

Life-Term Prisoner on the Streets

"Butch" Walker, colored, who has served about fourteen years in the County jail on the charge of murder, and who has a life-term sentence staring him in the face, is again seen on the streets of New Castle. "Butch" is the third negro life termer now at liberty in that city. He had been allowed street privileges several months ago, and threatened the life of Mrs. Lewis Roberts, colored, and was then placed in durance vile. He is a remarkable negro, and can repeat chapters of the Bible without a mistake, although he cannot read or write.

Opposed to Frame Buildings

In accordance with the act passed at the late session of the General Assembly, which prevents the erection of frame buildings on Loockerman street in Dover, the Town Council has issued a circular to that effect. Although a property holder can make additions to frame buildings now owned by him, he cannot extend the ground line for that purpose. A fine of $10 will be imposed for a violation of this law, with an additional $25 for every twenty-four hours the building is allowed to stand.

Made Money on Freak Calf

A cow, owned by Farmer Sherman Hill, residing near Bridgeville, on Saturday gave birth to a calf possessed of eight legs, two heads and two tails. The calf lived but a short time. Hill placed the body of the calf in his barn and charged an admittance of ten cents to the droves of persons who drove from far and near to see the freak.

New Building Site

Trustees of the Delaware State College for Colored Students have fixed upon a site for the addition to be made to the institution by Contractor Van Winkle, of Clayton. He is to erect a four story brick structure, having a ground plan of 38x60 feet, for $5,666.

News Agents Must Pay License

Attorney-General Ward has notified all persons who engage in the sale of newspapers for a living that they must pay a State license, as other merchants do, or be brought into court and punished for doing business without a license.

NEW JURY PANELS

New jury panels were provided for the coming sessions of court Tuesday by Chief Justice Lore and Associate Judges Grubb and Pennewill, as the panels drawn from the list compiled by the Levy Court were quashed by the court Tuesday morning. The principal contention was that the session of Levy Court on April 20, when the jury lists were prepared, was illegal because it was not called on ten days' notice issued by Clerk of the Peace Quigley.

During the afternoon the judges were closeted in their parlor preparing new jury lists from the assesment lists in the various hundreds. The entire afternoon was given up to this work, and shortly after 6 o'clock the jury panels were drawn by Clerk of the Peace Quigley and Prothonotary Speakman, under the supervision of the judges. The panels were given to Sheriff McDaniel, who arranged to have them summoned by his deputies. The names drawn were:

GRAND JURY

Brandywine hundred.—W. Harold Smith, George Casey.

Blackbird.—Henry S. Woodkeeper, John W. Pratt.

Christiana.—Abraham Palmer, Ashton R. Tatum.

Appoquinimink.—Robert A. Cochran, John F. Staats.

Mill Creek.—John Nevin, Joseph Derrickson.

New Castle.—John Johns, Jones Guthrie.

Pencader.—Samuel Alrichs, Charles Walton.

Red Lion.—Edward L. Clark, Joseph B. Heisel.

St. Georges.—John C. Corbit, Charles Derrickson.

White Clay Creek.—Arnold Naudain, Richard Chillas.

Wilmington.—George W. Gray, William H. Morris, William Betts, John P. Donghten.

PETIT JURY

Appoquinimink.—Harris I. McDowell, William K. L. Tatman.

Blackbird.—Lewis Rawley, John H. Staats.

Brandywine.—Harry Day, Winfield Orr.

Christiana.—James Baugh, Robert L. Armstrong.

Mill Creek.—Dutton Richards, Edwin M. Pierson.

New Castle.—Charles Biddle, John E. Taylor.

Pencader.—J. Sherman Dayett, Charles P. West.

Red Lion.—Joseph R. Pennington, J. Thomas Price.

St. Georges.—Daniel M. Cochran, Richard L. Gray.

White Clay Creek.—George Johnson, John P. Armstrong.

Wilmington.—Archibald S. Reed, Samuel J. White, Harry A. Brown, James H. Price, Seth H. Feaster, Joseph R. Flannigan, J. Smith Brennan, Thomas J. Talley, Charles A. Rudolph, William B. Schofield.

In drawing these panels the names of several non-residents, State and Federal office holders, and several dead men were taken from the boxes, but their places were filled by men eligible to serve.

SEVENTEEN YEAR LOCUSTS

The advance guard of the seventeen year locusts is expected to appear this year, says a geologist, and he is warning fruit growers not to set out orchards this year. The locusts will come by the millions next year and trees which have been out but one season will be the greatest sufferers. The "17-year locusts" live in the ground 17 years, then come out and deposit their eggs on the tree twigs. The larvae are hatched and bury themselves in the earth, where they exist on rotten leaves and twigs for seventeen years, when they make their appearance. The regular visit is due June 1st, 1902.

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Any adult suffering from a cold settled on the breast, bronchitis, throat or lung troubles of any nature, who will call at J. S. & W. Lattomus, Townsend, will be presented with a sample bottle of Boschee's German Syrup, free of charge. Only one bottle given to one person, and none to children without order from parents.

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Smallpox Makes Appearance

Smallpox has made its appearance in Wilmington again notwithstanding the precautions of the Board of Health. Early Tuesday morning the Board of Health was informed that there was a new case of the loathzome disease at No. 710 Locust street. The patient is Annie J. Wright, colored, 21 years old, and married. She and her husband were taken to the pesthouse at Farnhurst Tuesday afternoon.

Pennsylvania Railroad Special Excursion to Pan-American Exposition

On Thursday, May 23d, 1901, the Pennsylvania Railroad Company will run a special excursion to Buffalo on account of the Pan-American Exposition, from Philadelphia, Washington and Baltimore, and adjoining territory. Round-trip tickets, good going only on train leaving Washington 7.50, Philadelphia 8.30, and Baltimore 8.50 A. M., Harrisburg 11.35 A. M., and on local trains connecting therewith, and good to return on regular trains within seven days, including day of excursion, will be sold at rate of $9.00 from Philadelphia, $10.00 from Baltimore and Washington, $8.40 from Harrisburg, $5.65 from Williamsport, and proportionate rates from other points. For specific time and rates, consult local ticket agents.

MY MARYLAND

William M. Tyson, a well-known farmer residing at Singerly, died on Saturday last, aged 70 years. Mr. Tyson was a son of Mathias Tyson.

George Sutten, a farmer of the Seventh district, was stricken with paralysis on Monday, and is in a critical condition at his home near Perryville.

A large delegation of citizens from the First district appeared before the School Commissioners on Tuesday seeking increased school facilities at Cecilton.

Rev. Joseph Gwynn has succeeded Rev. J. H. Scott as pastor of Wright's A. M. E. Church, Elkton. The latter was transferred to a Baltimore charge.

From twenty sheep Mr. William E. DeFord, of Kent county, sheared 175 pounds of wool, for which he received $33.25. This is a wool record hard to beat.

On Tuesday evening last a fire of unknown origin destroyed the barn on the farm of Thomas Major at Cowantown. The property was insured for about $300.

The twenty-seventy annual meeting of the Maryland State Homoeopathic Medical Society will be held in Baltimore, beginning Tuesday, May 21, and ending Thursday, May 23.

Arrangements are now being made for the thirty-third annual convention of the diocese of Easton, which will be held in St. Peter's Church, at Salisbury, beginning Tuesday, June 4.

The Harford School Board is trying to arrange plans to keep the public schools in the county open until the latter part of June, instead of closing on June 1, as has been customary.

A 10-year-old son of John Wiley, near Rising Sun, Cecil county, was bitten on the hand by a dog supposed to be mad, on Sunday, and taken to the Pasteur Institute, Monday, for treatment.

Charles E. Egan, of Baltimore, who recently purchased the Cecil Paper Mill property, near Rising Sun, has sold the property to Charles F. Lafean, paper manufacturer, of York, Pa., for $12,000.

United States Senator George L. Wellington has accepted an invitation to address the Mt. Vernon Literary Society at the commencement exercises of Washington College, at Chestertown, next month.

Capt. Andrew Woodall, of Georgetown, purchased at public sale last week the T. J. Shallcross farm, situated in Queen Anne county, near Crumpton. The farm contains about 400 acres, and the price paid was $8,800.

Mr. Stevenson Archer died early Saturday morning at the residence of Judge Frederick Stump at Perry Point, near Perryville aged 83 years. Mr. Archer was a son of the late Dr. Robert Archer, a prominent physician of Harford county.

Dr. John W. Webb, a prominent physician of Maryland, is dangerously ill at his home, in Howard county. He was stricken with paralysis last Friday. He is 62 years of age and was a soldier in the Confederate army during the civil war.

Henry Lauman, of Ellicott City, has received a telegram from the army officials at San Francisco stating that his son, Ernest H. Lauman, died in the general hospital, at Presidio, Cal. He had just returned home from the Philippines.

Herbert Stimpson, of Washington, D. C., author of The Tory Maid, has purchased the old homestead of William S. Walker near Chestertown, for $10,000. The scene of The Tory Maid is laid in Kent and Cecil counties, and Mr. Stimpson spent some time in Kent gathering data for the book.

The duck-blind owners in South river have presented a largely signed petition to Governor Smith, protesting against the alleged action of Captain C. E. Martin, in allowing the May Brown, of the State Fishery force, to be used to carry lumber to and aid in the erection of duck-blinds contrary to law.

Asa O. Denio, who held the position of road foreman of engineers on the P., W. & B. railroad between Philadelphia and Washington, died Saturday morning at his home in Wilmington, aged 73 years. Fifty-four years of Mr. Denio's life were spent on the road, and at the time of his death he was on the pension list created by the Pennsylvania railroad on January 1st, 1900. The deceased leaves a widow and eight children.

A caveat has been filed to the will of the late Miss Marie Weistling, who died in Frederick, on January 22d last, leaving an estate valued at $112,000. The caveat is filed by relatives of the deceased, alleging mental incapacity and undue influence. Among the beneficiaries under the will are $30,000 to the Presbyterian Board of Missions, $30,000 to the Congregational Home Missionary Society, and $5,000 to the American Tract Society.

DRAGGED TO DEATH

Reybold Herbert, a son of the late James H. Herbert, was dragged to death by a runaway pair of horses on the farm of William French, near Worton Station in Kent county, Md. He was 15 years of age, had been plowing and had just taken his team from the plow after the day's work. He mounted one of the horses to ride up to the house. In reaching over to gather up some portion of the harness he frightened the horse, which shied and the boy fell. His feet became entangled in the rope traces. Both horses dashed off, dragging the helpless boy three times around the field and until two took in the situation and went to the rescue. The poor youth gave one spasmodic gasp and life was gone. The unfortunate lad was an orphan and lived in the home of Mr. French.

Delaware's Exhibit at Buffalo

Delaware will be represented at the Pan-American Exposition on opening day, May 20th, the State Board of Agriculture having decided to have the Delaware exhibit in place by that time. A special effort will be made to have a display of fruit from Delaware such as has never been placed on exhibition before.

HAIR AND CHARACTER

Did you ever notice that people of very violent temper have always close growing hair? It is a fact that every man having close growing hair is the owner of a decidedly bad temper. It is easy enough for me to note at a glance how a man's hair grows. Then I know how to handle him.

Men of strong temper are generally vigorous, but at the same time they are not always fixed in their opinions. Now, the man with coarse hair is rooted to his prejudices. Coarse hair denotes obstinacy. It is not a good business policy to oppose a man whose hair is coarse. The eccentric man has always fine hair, and you never saw a man of erratic tendencies who at the same time had a sound mind who was not refined in his tastes.

Fair hair indicates refinement. You may have noticed that men engaged in intellectual or especially in aesthetic pursuits, where delicacy is required have invariably fine, luxuriant hair and beards. The same men, as a class, particularly painters, are always remarkable for their personal peculiarities.

The brilliant, sprightly fellow has generally a curly beard. If not, his hair is curly. It's easy to bring a smile to the face of a man whose hair is curly. He laughs where colder natures see nothing to laugh at.

There is a great difference between coarse hair and hair that is harsh, though it requires an expert to distinguish it. For example, a man's mustache may be as fine as silk and yet cannot be trained to grow into a graceful curve. That's because the hair is harsh. Now, people whose hair is harsh have amiable but cold natures. They are always ready to listen, but it is difficult to arouse their feelings. In men of this disposition the hair of their heads is generally—in fact almost always—of a shade darker than their beards. When the beard is full, covering the entire face, the color varies from a dark shade near the roots to red, which colors the ends to the hair. These men have very rarely a good memory. They forget easily and often leave a cane or an overcoat behind them in the barber shop. They are great procrastinators and are bad at keeping appointments.

Think over your acquaintances and see if the man who is habitually slow has not a mustache or beard of a lighter shade than his hair. It's always the case. These are the men who come in at the theater and get to the station just in time to miss the train.—*Scottish American.*

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Major D. W. Jefferies of Chester advocates the whipping post for tramps. He says: "The professional tramp is a public nuisance that has long been tolerated. To my mind, one of the best remedies would be the whipping post, and a little heroic treatment of that sort would have a beneficial effect on these roadsters. They toil not, neither do they spin, and when they wont work they should not be allowed to eat at the expense of those who do. Women and children are most annoyed by these fellows, but women are kinder and more considerate than men as a rule, and seldom turn the tramp away from their doors. We arrest them when they become too troublesome and send them to jail; but they do not seem to mind that, and it puts the county to an expense, and when they are turned loose they pursue the same even tenor of their way, fatter, but no wiser, and with the same tired feeling that characterized them before they were committed."

Drying preparations simply develop dry catarrh; they dry up the secretions which adhere to the membrane and decompose, causing a far more serious trouble than the ordinary form of catarrh. Avoid all drying inhalants and use that which cleanses, soothes and heals. Ely's Cream Balm is such a remedy and will cure catarrh or cold in the head easily and pleasantly. All druggists sell it at 50 cents or it will be mailed by Ely Brothers, 56 Warren St., N. Y.

WASHINGTON LETTER.

SECRETARY GAGE declines to say anything for publication concerning the Wall street crash of last week, but it is known that he felt greatly relieved when the disturbance did not extend outside the ranks of the speculators. As a financier of long experience he knows that there is always danger that these speculative orgies may do great damage to the country when the inevitable collapse comes, by unsettling values and shaking confidence throughout business circles. The government has no control of these things, but there are times when the Secretary of the Treasury may do much toward preventing financial trouble of a serious nature. For that reason Secretary Gage kept a close watch on the Wall street speculations. He was prepared to do what he could had the necessity arisen, but is very glad that in this case he was not called on to do anything. He is still buying short time United States bonds, whenever they are offered at a price that makes it advantageous for the government to buy, and will continue to do so, because thereby he not only puts the money that is in the Treasury back into circulation, but saves interest for the government.

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Secretary Root made short work of the official career of a War Department official, who offered to sell copies of official correspondence to the Counsel of Neely, who is charged with the embezzlement of Cuban postal funds. The offer was made by W. D. Williams, private Secretary for Col. Edwards, Chief of the Insular Division of the War Department, to Judge Linsay, of New York, who at once reported it to Attorney General Knox. Detectives had no trouble in tracing the offer to Williams, who acknowledged his guilt. Secretary Root at once dismissed him from the government service. He would also have been prosecuted, but inasmuch as the copies he had offered to sell were all recovered and would in any event have been of no value in the case, it was decided that dismissal was sufficient punishment.

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Mr. C. M. Schwab, President of the newly-founded steel trust, known as the United States Steel Company, was one of the most interesting witnesses yet heard by the Industrial Commission. He was a very frank and willing witness, giving all that was asked except a copy of the syndicate agreement, which he said he thought was private matter that he would not care to furnish at this time. He said the new company controlled about 75 per cent. of the steel products of the country, and expressed the opinion that the consolidation under one head would be beneficial all around. When asked what effect it would have on prices, he replied: "I think the tendency will be towards somewhat lower prices. I do not think there is a probability of higher prices unless something unforeseen happens." When asked what, if any effect, the talk of the removal of the tariff on steel products, would have on his company, he replied: "Reduce the tariff and the wages of labor will be reduced. Labor forms the largest element. Our greatest exports have been in rails and billets, wherein labor is the least factor comparatively, and not in the lines upon which the most labor is exerted." When asked to state what effect corporate consolidation would have on the chances of men for employment, he said: "Opportunities were never so great before as they are now, for men of brain and energy who are willing to work. There was never so great a scarcity of the special men who are required by manufactories. Men with such exceptional abilities have chances equal to any such men ever had. I doubt, however, if men with small capital have." He said the average wages paid by the Carnegie Co., at Homestead, last year, were $4 a day. The lowest was $1.50, but Mr. Schwab said he was ashamed to tell what the highest was.

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Minister Conger is in Washington. He declines to discuss the Chinese question, further than to say that he thinks it will be impossible for China to pay the amount of the indemnity that the representatives of the powers have decided to demand.

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While it would be obviously improper for the Department of State to take any notice officially of the constantly repeated reports of efforts being made to form a a commercial combination of the great European nations, for the purpose of making war upon American trade, officials of that department say in private conversation, that no such reports would be in circulation, had the Senate ratified the reciprocity treaties negotiated with European nations, as President McKinley, in public messages and in conversation with Senators, repeated requested. They add that, in their opinion, it is still possible for the Senate to head off any European commercial combine against us by promptly, at the next session, ratifying such of those treaties as are still alive, particularly that with France.

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Officials in Washington cannot, of course, speak positively for President McKinley, but none of them has the remotest idea that President McKinley will take any official notice of the resolution adopted by the Hawaiin legislature, asking for the removal of Gov. Dole, because he has not allowed himself to be controlled by the majority of the legislature.

To Hang May 31

A reprieve till May 31 was granted by Governor Smith to Matthew Cheers, colored, whose execution was set for Friday, the 3d inst., at Centreville, for the murder of Solomon Roberts, colored. The gallows had been erected and the rope selected, but the execution is now deferred.

He Raised $1.00

A man with 75 cents in his pocket was compelled to raise a dollar. So he pawned his 75 cents for 50 cents and then sold his pawn ticket for 50 cents, thus securing the dollar needed. Who lost money by the transactio ?

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THE JURY PANELS

On Tuesday of this week at the instance of Attorney-General Ward, the Court quashed the panels of jurors, both grand and petit, and placed new names of its own selection in the boxes, from which new panels were drawn. This unprecedented action was caused by the fact that the present Levy Court followed the custom established by its Democratic predecessors, and, instead of putting new names in the boxes as provided by law, simply put in new names in place of those who had been drawn last year. Commissioner Mealey tried to excuse or hide this action by a charge that Clerk of the Peace Quigley and Prothonotary Speakman had dumped the names out of the boxes to a table and selected the jury while seeing who they were getting, in other words, he accused these two officials of packing the jury with men of their own selection instead of taking them by lot. To this charge, Mr. Speakman makes answer that the boxes were emptied and the names compared with the certified list by order of Chief Justice Lore, and the apportionment of the jurors made to the several hundreds in the presence of the Chief Justice at his residence. In this comparison it was found that the names selected by Commissioner Willits for St. Georges, Appoquinimink and Blackbird Hundreds had been enclosed in envelopes and placed in the bottom of the boxes and the other names selected by Commissioner Armstrong had been placed on top, so that none of Mr. Willits selections could possibly be drawn. After the comparison had been made, the names were placed in the boxes again and after thoroughly shaking them, the jury panel was drawn. This was done publicly and for a portion of the time Commissioners Lynn and Megginson and Attorney Knowles were present. The whole trouble undoubtedly arose through the following of custom, and not looking into the law. For several years past it has been current rumor that any one who stood in with the then Levy Court Commissioners could have their names appear at any time they so desired. But Republican officials have always, in Delaware, been held to a more rigid accountability than have the Democrat. This action of the Courts will undoubtedly have the effect of causing a close observance of the law and less following of Democratic customs.

THE ANTI-CANTEEN LAW

The ill effects of the law which Congress enacted last Winter at the earnest solicitation of certain mis-guided or rather mis-informed persons, and which wiped out the Army Canteen, are becoming greater every day. As was pointed out when this law was before Congress, the army officers who were in a position to know how the Canteen had worked, were all in favor of the Canteen. On the other side of the question was a large number of people who were opposed to the sale of liquor in any form and were as much opposed to the soldiers being able to buy beer and soft drinks at the post, as they were to licensing of the lowest brothel in the large cities. They did not know as did the many officers, or if knowing, they overlooked the fact that a certain class of men will get liquor, and that a man's nature is not changed when he dons a blue coat. But the scheme has worked more harm than even its opponents thought possible. Many men are so constituted that anything forbidden is the more eagerly craved, and so it happens that in all the army posts there are more drunken, more desertions and more petty crimes than ever before. Some criticism has been made that the War Department has strictly enforced the law, but no explanation of how it could otherwise enforce it. The Executive must execute the law as he finds it. That is what he is put there for. The law is bad, and was known to be bad when passed, and the way to secure the repeal of vicious legislation is to enforce it. We do not suppose that the ladies who assisted in the passage of this act will admit their error, but the men who were associated with them see it. Now it remains for Congress to correct the mistake, which however cannot be done until next winter. In the meantime, the War Department will keep on enforcing the law.

SILVER RUN

Commissioner Armstrong reported to the Levy Court last Tuesday that he had received several bids for the lumber for sheathing the Silver Run causeway, but had come to no conclusion in the matter. We have been informed this week that Contractor Fahey in his proposal which was accepted by the Levy Court, did agree to build stone abutments three and one half feet wide and sixteen feet long on each side of the bridge and that the bridge should not exceed one hundred feet in length. He also announced his willingness to guarantee the road to stand for many years. On this statement of the case, it would seem no more than right that Mr. Fahey should be held to a rigid accountability and be called upon to do his work over again, should that be necessary. He was paid $4,000 more than he considered a fair price for the work and should therefore have no hesitation in meeting all the conditions of his contract.

PAN-AMERICAN EXPOSITION STAMPS

A special series of postage stamps in honor of the Pan-American Exposition at Buffalo, were distributed by the Post Office Department of the Government to all post offices in the United States on May 1st.

The stamps are of uniform dimensions, 0.76x1.06 of an inch, and represent different forms of modern transportation methods. The borders take the colors of the regular series of the same denominations of stamps now in use. The words "Commemorative Series, 1901," and "United States of America," appears in the upper border above the vignette; the legend in the line below it designates some particular feature of transportation appearing in the illustration. The line at the bottom indicates the value of the stamp by Roman capital letters and Arabic numerals.

All of the central illustrations are from photographs as the objects represented appear to-day, and are printed in black.

The one-cent stamp represents steamboat travel designated by a side-wheel Lake steamer with one funnell, of the style generally used on the Great Lakes of to-day.

The two-cent stamp represents railway travel by a train of four cars and engine of modern pattern.

On the four-cent stamp is a picture of the automobile of the closed coach order with two men on the box and a portion of the United States Capitol in the background. For this illustration a photograph of one of the Baltimore & Ohio automobiles, taken in front of the Congressional Library at Washington, with the Capitol in the background, was selected. The Baltimore & Ohio was the first railroad to inaugurate this method of transportation in connection with its train service.

The five-cent stamp has a representation of the largest single span steel bridge in the world bearing, two trolley cars, with a view of Niagara Falls beyond.

The eight-cent stamp shows the great ship-canal locks at Sault Ste. Marie, Mich., and the ten-cent stamp shows an American Line steamship with two smoke stacks and masts.

The series make a most interesting collection and is one which collectors will secure before the stamps are canceled in order to retain the effects of the minute engravings.

"L" ROAD MAY NOT BE BUILT

The Pennsylvania Railroad Company, having obtained control of the Baltimore and Ohio system, it is rumored that the former company may abandon its intention of building an elevated road in Wilmington and may arrange to run its through express trains between New York and Washington over the Philadelphia division of the Baltimore and Ohio. Practically all the Baltimore and Ohio tracks in Wilmington are above or below grade, the exceptions being at Second street and at Loevring avenue, where grade crossing could be abolished without great difficulty.

This fact would enable the company to run trains with high speed through Wilmington. Recently the roadbed of the Baltimore and Ohio between Baltimore and Philadelphia has been much improved, 100-pound rails taking the place of 85-pound rails and the Hall signal system being installed. A third line of freight has been constructed along much of the route.

Should the Baltimore and Ohio be thus used the Philadelphia, Wilmington and Baltimore Road might be used exclusively for local and freight business. It is reported that another story may be added to the Philadelphia, Wilmington and Baltimore station at Front and French streets, and this is taken to indicate that a new station is not to be built for the present.

Short Day Movement

Machinists of Wilmington are becoming more and more enthused over the proposed nine hour work day, with ten hours pay, as May 20th, the day on which it is to go into effect, draws near. They are also becoming more hopeful each day of winning their request. Machinists stated last night that the outlook at present is brighter than it ever was. A number of the plants are said to be favorably considering the movement and will probably grant the request on next Monday or shortly after that date. During the last few days a large manufacturing concerns all over the country have been conceeding the nine hour work day.

Might Have Made Fortune

One of Dover's hotel proprietors Tuesday morning during a visit to Philadelphia, bought Northern Pacific stock at $129 a share and the same day sold it at $160, but had he not sold until Thursday morning he would have received $1,000 a share and his profits in 36 hours would have allowed him to have retired from business and live in luxury the balance of his life.

NOMINATED STRONG TICKET

A city ticket to be voted for on June 1st was nominated by the Republicans of Wilmington on Saturday. The several contests showed that the party is in a good condition for an aggressive campaign. Probably the hardest fight was for the position of assessor and collector of the northern district. The contest was between Thomas S. Lewis the present incumbent, and George H. McCall who was a candidate four years ago for the same office.

There was no disorder of any kind at the polls although there was a crowd around the votiug places from the time the polls opened until they closed. During the day 4.432 votes were cast, This is a large vote for a municipal primary election. It is the largest ever polled at a city election.

At the nomination on October 6, 1900, the vote was 5,542. At the last general election the Democratic vote was but 4,377. These figures show in what condition the Republican party of that city in this year.

The fight for City Solicitor was close, David J. Reinhardt defeating John F. Lynn, Assistant City Solicitor, by a narrow margin. The other nominees were: City Treasurer, Seth H. Feaster; President of Council, Charles B. Blaine; Assessor and Collector, Southern district, Evan Gallagher; Council, First ward; Levi T. Mann; Second, Charles E. Sparks, Jr.; Third, William Graham; Fourth, Harvey B. Wigglesworth; Fifth, Homer Simmons; Sixth, Thomas E. Postles; Seventh, Hamilton Stewart; Eighth, James H. Morris; Ninth, William Paris; Tenth, William Ball; Eleventh, John T. Wrightington; Twelfth, Moro McMillan.

Councilman Fisher won the nomination for Mayor by about 641 plurality, after a hard battle with General Daniel Ross and City Solicisor Henry C. Conrad. The Ross men made a very hard fight, and many expected him to win.

NO FRAUD IN JURY LIST

Prothonotary Frank L. Speakman made a statement Wednesday with reference to allegations concerning the drawing of the grand and petit jury panels, quashed by the General Sessions Court Tuesday. The panels were drawn by Mr. Speakman and Clerk of the Peace Winfield S. Quigley. Mr. Speakman said they acted on the advice of Chief Justice Lore in not notifying any one that the juries were to be drawn, yet did it publicly in the Prothonotary's office without any attempt at concealment.

Mr. Speakman also said that the Chief Justice directed them to take the ballots out of the boxes so that the names could be compared with the list of jurors prepared by the Levy Court to see if they corresponded. This was done, and in St. Georges, Blackbird and Appoquinimink hundreds it was found that certain names were concealed in envelopes in the bottom and the remaining ballots were on top. Mr. Speakman thinks that the concealed ballots had been selected by Levy Courtman Willits. All these ballots were shaken up.

The apportionment in reference to the grand jury was made at the residence of Chief Justice Lore and approved him. The Prothonotary declared that neither he nor Mr. Quigley knew who put in any particular name and did not seek to learn.

NO MONEY IN PEACH GROWING

James W. Holt, of Hillsboro, who has been a peach grower for 26 years, recently said to an Easton *Ledger* reporter: There has been no money in any peach crop since 1895. My experience last year is a fair representation of the prevailing conditions. I shipped 18,000 baskets and my net profits were less than $500. This is nothing. It is simply encumbering good ground with unproductive trash. A profit of $3000 should have been the minimum on this output to enable one to call peach growing the least profitable. I have about 8,000 trees, and some varieties I did not pretend to pick, but let them fall off and rot on the ground. They would not pay cost of picking and baskets, to say nothing of freight. It is my opinion that if there never had been a peach orchard planted on the Eastern Shore the farmers would to-day be 50 per cent. better off. Money once made? Yes, and sometimes a heap of it. But where is it? Spent, gone. I can count on my fingers and thumbs once going over, all the farmers on the Eastern Shore who have any money now they made out of peaches when there were profitable crops. Young man, the way to accumulate money and have some means when you get old, is to be a slave to your business when young. Work it for all it is worth, night and day, unceasingly, and when you make a dollar put a brick on it.

WILL DISTRIBUTE TREES

Next spring the Secretary of Agriculture will distribute throughout the country young trees as well as garden seeds. Authority for this new department was secured at the recent session of Congress and an appropriation was made in the budget for next year.

This distribution of trees is Secretary Wilson's own idea. The people of this country have been cutting down the natural forests with so much recklessness that it has become necessary to start artificial ones. The division of forestry of the Agricultural Department has made a survey of the country and has ascertained the particular trees which thrive best and are most useful in each locality. According to program for the distribution of trees next year, a number of seedings will be alloted to each member of the House of Representatives who will be asked to furnish a list of constituents to whom he would like to have them sent. The Agricultural Department will do the rest. The seedings will be grown in propagating houses and forward to their destinations with specific instructions as to how they should be planted and cared for. In this way Mr. Wilson expects to start several million new trees growing throughout the country every year.

Rachel May Middletown

The little colored baby which was found in a lawn near Middletown last Friday, was brought to this city on Saturday by Agent Stout of the S. P. C. C. The tot was found by Isaac Green, Jr., and is five weeks old. Agent Stout will probably have the baby placed in some home. The child has been named Rachel May Middletown, the first name being for the woman who kindly took care of her after being found, and May for the present month, and Middletown in honor of the St. Georges hundred town where Agent Stout secured her.—*Wilmington Sun.*

DELAWARE CITY

Charles Rodgmen was in town on Sunday.

Mrs. Brewer is entertaining her sister, Mrs. Stahley.

Jacob Frempt is having his home property improved.

William Cook, of Camden, N. J., was in town on Wednesday.

The Misses Clark, of "Greenlea," are visiting in Pittsburg, Pa.

Mrs. Fromberger, formerly a resident of the town, died last week.

Mrs. Edmunson is spending several weeks in Washington, D. C.

Thursday being Ascension Day services were held in Christ Church.

Miss Georgia Money is visiting Mrs. Sidney Vanhekle in Camden, N. J.

Mr. and Mrs. Andrew J. Brown and B. Dunlap spent Sunday in New Castle.

Miss Lucy Ford and Mrs. Helms, of New Castle, were in town on Sunday.

Mrs. Sprankle, of Philadelphia, is visiting her mother, Mrs. Arthur Colburn.

Miss Lucille Martindale, of Wilmington, was a guest at the manse on Monday.

H. C. Clark is having a building put up on the lot at the rear of the M. E. Church.

Miss Susy Milloway and Mr. Smith, of Wilmington, were guest of friends in town on Sunday.

Rev. and Mrs. Wiley, of New Castle, were entertained on Monday by Rev. and Mrs. Stahl.

Mrs. F. I. Dunlap and daughter, of Wilmington, attended the funeral of Mrs. Cook on Monday.

Captain F. McMunn visited his daughter, Mrs. H. Heal, and his sister, Mrs. Brown, this week.

The Mite Society of the Presbyterian Church met at the home of Mrs. William Vail Tuesday evening.

Mrs. Clara Downs and Mr. and Mrs. Davidson, of Wilmington, were Sunday callers at Dr. Dunlap's.

Miss Lucy Jackson has arrived in London and is enjoying the sights there in company with Mrs. Ash.

Mrs. Jack, Mrs. Montgomery, Mrs. Thatcher and Miss Tumblin, of Wilmington, were in town this week.

The town is partly lighted with large gasoline lamps, but the town officials are contemplating lighting by electricity.

It is estimated that hundreds of persons visited the town on Sunday the 5th and a great many patronized the trolleys on last Sunday.

Mr. Hendrickson, living in Dutch Neck, has a son who has had the misfortune to have one of his legs cut off by a railroad train one day this week.

Mrs. Edward Clark was stricken with paralysis Sunday night soon after returning from the evening service. She is still in a serious condition.

Mrs. Bofington, *nee* Akers, is a patient in the Medico-Chirurgical Hospital, Philadelphia, where she was successfully operated upon for appendicitis.

Mitchell Giberson is recovering from the effects of the burns received by the explosion of a tin molasses can in which he attempted to boil some tea.

Rodney, the infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Schunder was badly burned by the upsetting of a cup of coffee, which the little fellow reached for and upset on his arm and shoulder.

The herring in the canal are beginning to die and float upon the surface of the water. This has occurred every year now for several years. The fishermen are catching quantities of shad this week.

Miss May H. Bennett was graduated Thursday evening at the commencement of the Training School for Nurses connected with the Medico-Chirurgical Hospital. Miss Bennett received "honorable mention."

The W. C. T. U. met at the home of Mrs. Hughes Wednesday evening and elected the following officers: President, Mrs. John Schunder, Jr.; 1st, Vice-President, Mrs. Warren; 2nd, Vice-President, Mrs. F. M. Jester; Treasurer, Mrs. W. A. Jester; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Brewer; Recording Secretary, Mrs. Creed.

Funeral services were held on Monday morning over the remains of Mrs. John Cook in St. Paul's R. C. Church, Rev. Father Higgins officiating. Mr. and Mrs. Fetherstone of St. Peter's Church, and Miss Schwab, of St. Mary's of Wilmington sang. Interment in the churchyard adjoining the church. Five little children grieve for the mother taken from them in her early womanhood.

The circus billed for Saturday evening was quite a disappointment to a number of people who gathered outside the tent. The thunder storm which came up about the time to begin the performance and the high wind blowing rendered it an imperative necessity to take the tent down for fear of its being blown down. The company had met with serious loss on the way from Chester to Wilmington by the death of several horses on account of the condition of the roads.

Miss A. Hunter attended the meeting of the Woman's Auxiliary held in St. James P. E. Church in Stanton on Thursday of last week. She describes the church as "a quanty old church with high-backed pews and a gallery running around three sides of it and etc." Tis an interesting fact that vandals and goths have not "renorated" this pretty old church which is, properly speaking, in the town but near it. Miss Hunter spoke also of the kind and courteous treatment she received from the people to whom generally, she was a stranger.

Mrs. Elmer Pierce, *nee* Bessie Swan, has written a most interesting letter to a friend in town, descriptive of her journey to San Antonio, Texas, about the last of April. She was much impressed by the fact of farmers husking corn in Ohio, and in Texas the green corn was waist high. She was married in St. James P. E. Church by Rev. Mr. Starr, who while a boy resided in Wilmington, and who presented the bride with an exquisite bunch of roses. She is delighted with her new home and the climate, and says they have no dudes there—are too sensible.

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TOWNSEND NEWS BUDGET

W. P. Miller visited here on Saturday.

Miss Hannah Wilson has returned from Atlantic City.

Elwood Cleaver is making a visit among friends here.

Miss Katharine Hutchinson visited Clayton on Wednesday.

Mrs. Philip Burke, of Middletown, visited here on Tuesday.

Mrs. Quillen has returned from a visit among Wilmington friends.

Mr. and Mrs. James Aldrich, of Port Penn, visited here on Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Phillips visited their many friends in Wilmington on Wednesday.

The home of Mr. John Lattomus is being artistically repainted, and when finished it will present a greatly improved appearance. Mr. Donohoe is doing the work.

Rev. W. J. Wilkie is one of the most popular ministers of the gospel that has ever visited this section. He delivered a very interesting sermon last Sunday at the home of Mrs. Hubbard.

Mr. William A. Cochran, Jr., has opened a first-class shoe and harness repairing shop next to the barber shop. Mr. Cochran is a very good workman in these lines and will give you satisfaction. We wish him much success in his new venture.

Photographer S. S. Wilson visited Odessa on Wednesday, he having been called there to make a photograph of the steamer "Hildegarde," which recently arrived at that place from Phiiadelphia. Mr. Wilson also photographed several of the prominent residents of that very interesting and progressive little town during his stay.

A large number of our residents are preparing to appropriately observe Memorial Day. The day promisss to be unusually interesting this time and a very general interest will evidently be taken in its proper observance by our citizens. We hope it will prove a most beautiful and interesting occasion to all of our residents this year.

CECILTON SIFTINGS

Mrs. George Beaston was in Chesapeake on Monday.

Mr. Harry C. Price spent part of Monday in Middletown.

Thomas P. Jones, Jr., has accepted a position at Lewes, Del.

Mrs. Charles Nabb is visiting her sister, Mrs. Wayne Stradley.

Miss Nellie Price, of Fredericktown, is visiting friends in Wilmington.

Miss Clara Manlove entertained Miss Edith Alderson on Sunday last.

Miss Lelia McCoy was the guest of Mrs. Mollie Manlove on Wednesday.

Miss Virgie Price, of Chester, spent part of last week with her mother.

Mr. Wills and Miss Emma Lusby were guests of Mrs. Edgar Davis on Monday.

Mrs. Agnes Rowan, of Earleville, spent part of Tuesday with Mrs. Harry Rowan.

Rev. G. W. Townsend and wife entertained friends from North East on Sunday.

Miss Anna Pyle and Mr. Willard Stephens were in Cecilton on Sunday evening.

Mr. Patrick Anderson with Mr. and Mrs. John Anderson spent Wednesday in Philadelphia.

Mrs. Alexander Sands, of Newburg, is the guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Megee.

Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Ferguson, with Mr. and Mrs. Thompson, of Chestertown, spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. H. D. Budd, near Sassafras.

Mrs. Harry Ellison and daughter, Miss Susie, of Summit Bridge, spent Wednesday at Cecilton with her father, Mr. Thomas P. Jones, Sr.

EARLEVILLE NOTES

Mr. Isaac Taylor spent Sunday at home.

Mr. William Rowan was in Middletown on Monday.

Mrs. Mollie Duhamell was in Cecilton on Sunday evening.

Mrs. Harry Duhamell was in Middletown on Saturday last.

Mr. Wilbert Wooleyhan spent Tuesday evening with Cecilton friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Aiken spent Tuesday with relatives at Warwick.

Mrs. John Rowan spent Wednesday with Mrs. Clara Rowan at Cecilton.

The Literary Society met at Miss Mayme Duhamell's on Wednesday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Alexander Laws were entertained by friends near Earleville on Tuesday.

Mrs. Annie Humphrey and Miss Lizzie Reed spent Friday and Saturday in Baltimore.

Miss Anna Pyle and Mr. Willard Stephens spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. George Benson.

Mrs. Ada Nabb, of Wilmington, is spending sometime with her sister, Mrs. Jessie Stradley, at Cecilton.

Wonder who will be the next to go to Philadelphia for a pacer? It seems to us as if the one near here leads every Sunday evening.

WARWICK HAPPENINGS

Mrs. Edward G. Armstrong visited her mother this week.

Mrs. J. McLain Brown is spending some time in Baltimore.

Professor Guy Johnson was a brief visitor in Wilmington this week.

Miss Ella King was a recent visitor at her brothers, D. P. King, near town.

Mr, and Mrs, Maxie Bland were guests of William Vineyard and family on Sunday.

Messrs. Charles Crawford and Harry Lockwood spent Sunday at the home of Dr. J. J. Wright.

Mr. Harry Manlove left on Monday for Centreville, Md., where he will operate the creamery there.

Mr. and Mrs. Urie P. Ginn entertained on Sunday Misses Wood Finley, Belle Lofland and Bessie Merritt.

Another Case of Smallpox

Mary Wade, colored, of North Fourth street, is the latest victim of smallpox in New Castle. This is the third case in almost as many days. Mayor Boyd has taken charge of all the cases and looks personally after the fumigation of the properties.

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The Middletown Transcript

Trains Leave Middletown as Follows:

North Bound—3.30, 7.50, 9.20 and 10.23 a. m. 4.16 and 6.02 p. m.
South Bound—12.54, 9.11 and 11.50 a. m.; 3.54 5 18 and 7 51 p. m.

Mails Close as Follows.

Going North—7.30 a. m., 10.05 a. m., 3.55 and 5.40 p. m.
Going South—8.50 a. m., 5.10 p. m.
For Odessa—9.10 a. m., 11.40 a. m., 5.30 p. m.
For Warwick, Cecilton, Earlville and Sassafras—9.15 a. m.

MIDDLETOWN, DEL., MAY 18, 1901.

Local News.

Large quantity of Rock Salt for the Spring trade.—H. C. DeValinger.

Coal Oil at 10 cents a gallon.
Middletown Grocery House.

Arbuckles Coffee 2 lbs for 25 cents.
H. C. DeValinger.

Garden Seeds and seed potatoes—best varieties.—E. F. Ingram.

Good Prunes 5 cents lb.
H. C. DeValinger.

Full line of Fresh Groceries at E. F. Ingram's.

300,000 Early Cabbage Plants for sale. E. J. Steel, Florist, Middletown, Del.

Gold Dust, 2 packages for 5 cents.
Middletown Grocery House.

Notice. — For that headache take Brown's Antidote, 4 doses, 10 cents at Bragdon's.

For Sale.—100,000 Sweet Potato Plants at E. J. Steele's, Florist, Middletown, Del.

Dr. W. E. Barnard, Surgeon Dentist, office Southeast corner of Main and Scott streets.

For Sale.—3,000 Potted Chrysanthemums, over 200 varieties, at the Middletown Greenhouses.

May 12th was Epworth League anniversary day throughout the State and was celebrated appropriately.

We will guarantee to pay more money for Eggs than any other house in Middletown.—Middletown Grocery House.

Trusses.—See the Dr. Rorick Pneumatic Truss, ease, durability, sure holder.—Bragdon & Co.

On and after April 1st, I will be at my Greenhouse every evening until 9 o'clock P. M.—E. J. Steele, Florist.

LIME! LIME! LIME!
For best Wrightsville Land Lime get prices from John W. Jolls before purchasing.

Now is the time—before warm weather begins—to fortify the system by taking a good tonic—Pearson's Beef, Iron and Wine.

Wanted.—We want 1,000 pounds of country lard; will pay the highest cash prices for same.—Middletown Grocery House.

June 7th is the date fixed for the retrial of Mrs. Cordelia Botkin, the once convicted poisoner of Mrs. J. P. Dunning and Mrs. J. D. Deane, of Dover.

Seed Potatoes for Sale.—200 baskets Sweet Potatoes for seed at the Middletown Greenhouses.—E. J. Steele, Florist, Middletown, Del.

Several of our young people spent Thursday at Silver Lake. Boating, fishing and various other amusements were indulged in, and all reported a most pleasant time.

Clara, the young daughter of Mr. Wilmer George, a farmer living near Odessa, was taken to the Medico-Chirurgical Hospital, Philadelphia, Thursday, suffering with appendicitis.

Rev. E. L. Cross, of Milford, filled the pulpit of Bethesda Methodist Episcopal Church Sunday evening last. A large congregation enjoyed the discourse of the Rev. Cross, who is a most excellent speaker.

We have the trade on Eggs and do not cut the market prices when overstocked, like the average groceryman. You have the Eggs and we want them—bring them along and turn them into Cash.—Middletown Grocery House.

A large stock on hand of both "AMERICAN" Field Fence, and "ELLWOOD" Field, Hog and Poultry Fence, and will be sold as low as the lowest. Learn our prices before buying elsewhere as we will not be undersold.
Middletown Hardware House.

The hog is the mortgage lifter, the sheep the farm fertilizer, the cow the barn builder and the hen the grocery bill payer. This quartette, with a man and a woman not afraid of the work in caring for them will insure prosperity on any farm.—*Ex.*

Every property owner and resident of the town should have a certain amount of pride regarding the appearance of the town. During the ensuing months add your mite toward beautifying your premises and the general result will be pleasing and satisfactory.

Now ready to supply our patrons with Fertilizers for all Spring Crops from our Warehouses at Middletown and Newark, Del., and Kennedyville, Md., having several car loads stored at each point.
Jesse L. Shepherd,
S. M. Reynolds, Agt.
'Phone No. 5.

Unclaimed Letters.—The following list of letters remain unclaimed in the post office for the week ending May 18th: Mrs. Ordian Gibbs, Miss Effie Lambert, Miss Eva Lambert, Mrs. Emma Morton, Miss Bartha Ross, Miss Jennie Vaughn, Edith Waters, Elex. Jones, George L. Tibbitt, W. Wright.

News was received here Tuesday of the death of Mr. Winter D. Caulk, at his home in Pitman Grove, N. J. Mr. Caulk has been in poor health for several years. The deceased was a brother of Mrs. Frank Pierce, and was well-known in this section. He leaves a widow and two children to mourn his death.

Constable William T. Money, of Pencader hundred, arrested Arnold Curry, colored, at Kenton Thursday. Curry was accused of the larceny of household goods. He was given a hearing before Magistrate William R. Reynolds yesterday, the evidence produced not being sufficient to hold the accused, the case was dismissed.

The C. C. Browne Home Mission Circle give a very interesting literary and musical entertainment in the lecture room of Bethesda Methodist Episcopal Church last evening. A silver offering was taken at the door. The social held immediately after the exercises was a very interesting feature of the evening's program. Refreshments were served free of charge, and the evening was most enjoyably spent by all.

Prospects now indicate a generous fruit year.

Front porches are adorned with comfortable chairs.

Ladies' Up-to-date Shoes at $1.00 a pair.—E. F. Ingram.

Large supply of Salt on hand for salting fish.—H. C. DeValinger.

Headquarters for foreign and domestic fruit.—Middletown Grocery House.

The latest creations of the milliner's art at moderate prices.—E. F. Ingram.

Bragdon & Co. sells Allaband's Little Liver Pills, the best liver medicine on the market, 40 pills, 20 cents.

George Morris, living near the Blackbird campmeeting woods had a two-year old Duroc colt badly injured by running into a barbed wire fence Sunday.

Diamond Condition Powders for horses and cattle, promotes digestion, improves the hair and restores a healthy condition, 15 cents a pk. at Pearson's Pharmacy.

Children's Day will be observed at Forest Presbyterian Church on Sunday evening, June 2d. A very interesting program is being arranged for the occasion.

Three tramps were arrested for trespassing and entering the Preston cannery Tuesday morning. Magistrate Reynolds imposed a small fine, and on their promise to leave town, they were liberated.

This is the time of the year to tone up horses and cattle that are run down, hide bound or wormy. Baum's Stock Food will do it.—For Sale by J. F. McWhorter & Son, Middletown, Del.

Have just received half car load of white potatoes. These potatoes are excellent for seed and eating purposes. Prices low.
Middletown Grocery House.

Bishop Coleman will visit St. Anne's parish Sunday. In the afternoon, at 4 o'clock, he will preach at the new St. Mary's Chapel, at Townsend, and in the evening 7.30 he will preach and administer the rite of confirmation in St. Anne's Church.

Bethesda Epworth League meets in the lecture room of the M. E. Church every Sunday evening at 6.45 o'clock. Everybody is invited to attend. The topic for next Sunday evening is "A Nameless Girl Heroine," 2 Kings 5:1-4. Chas. E. Foulke, leader.

The Young Peoples Society of Christian Endeavor of Forest Presbyterian Church, meets every Sunday evening at 6.45 o'clock. A cordial invitation is extended to everybody. The topic for next Sunday evening is "A Nameless Girl Heroine." 2 Kings 5:1-4.

The shirt factory resumed operation yesterday with a few operators, but we are informed by the management that the factory will be running to its full capacity in a few days Mr. Burgess is expected to arrive in town Monday. He has been in New York this week, and is improving rapidly in health.

At Bethesda M. E. Church, to-morrow morning, the pastor, Dr. Barrett, will preach at 10.30 A. M. Subject, "He Wants to Get In—Why?" At 7.30 P. M., the W. F. M. S., will hold a special service, in which an excellent program of music, addresses, etc., will be rendered. All are welcome and earnestly invited to attend these services.

A game of base ball was played between a scrub team of our town and the surrounding country and Chesapeake City at the latter place last Saturday, which resulted in the overwhelming defeat of the Delawareites by the score of 24 to 4. Chesapeake will play here this afternoon and the local club will make an effort to turn the tables on the Marylanders.

Mr. William McCleary has rented the middle room of the Opera House building and after extensive repairs will remove his barber shop to larger quarters. Mr. McCleary will add a full line of cigars and tobacco to his business, and will continue the agency for the Diamond State Laundry of Wilmington. In the rear of his shop he will conduct a pool room, and has placed an order for a new pool table and other necessary equipments.

FOR SALE.—1000 bushels Northern grown "Early Rose" Potatoes, at 85c. per bushel. 500 bushels "Crown Jewel" Potatoes, at 85c. per bushel. 700 bushels Early Beauty of Hebron" Potatoes, at 85c. per bushel. 100 bushels White Onion Setts, at $2.50 per bushel. 100 bushels Yellow Onion Setts, at $2.25 per bushel. 800 bushels Cow Peas, at $1.50 to $1.75 per bushel. 1000 bushels Western grown Clover Seed, at $6.50 to $7.00 per bushel. J. E. HOLLAND,
Milford, Del.

Master Willie Wright, son of Mr. and Mrs. William Wright, was quite painfully injured by being struck with a base ball Tuesday afternoon. While watching some larger boys playing ball he was struck with a batted ball in the side. Edward Segars quickly carried the little fellow to his home on East Main street. Dr. Vallandigham was called in, and after a careful examination found it was only a glance blow and no bones were broken. The accident was without question accidental, as Willie was standing some distance from the batsman.

Dr. C. A. Ritchie, W. A. Hukill, Jr., Jos. C. Jolls, H. S. Beaston and W. B. Kates made up the party that drove to Newark last Monday evening to attend Osceola Lodge, No. 5, Knights of Pythias. The occasion was the conferring of the Knight's Rank on ten candidates by a team from Wilmington. In the party from Wilmington were the two Supreme Representatives Mullen and Scott, G. C., Beeson, P. G. C., Everett and G. I. G., Beck. The local members all enjoyed themselves and the Newark brethren had many interesting reminiscences of their visit to Middletown on the evening of February 2d, last, when the Pythian Wheel rolled into Damon Lodge, No. 12.

One of the finest musical programs of the season was rendered by the New Century Club Tuesday afternoon. The meeting was largely attended and much interest was manifested by all present. The following officers were installed for the ensuing year: President, Mrs. I. S. Vallandigham; 1st Vice President, Mrs. Boyd McCoy; 2d Vice President, Mrs. George Derrickson; Recording Secretary Miss Mary Rothwell; Corresponding Secretary, Miss Jodie Biggs; Treasurer, Miss Anna Derrickson. Mrs. W. P. Biggs made an appropriate address as retiring president, and installed the new president who then installed the above named officers. After the installation a very enjoyable tea was held. The Club adjourned to meet an Tuesday, October 8th. French History will be taken up next year.

The remains of Mrs. Charles T. Gears were brought here on the 10.23 train from Smyrna Thursday morning. Mr. Gears removed his family to Symrna from Mt. Pleasant six months ago, and the death of the young wife and mother which occurred on Monday evening from internal cancer, was a great shock to her many relatives and friends here. Funeral services were held at her late home in Smyrna Wednesday evening at 7.30 o'clock, conducted by Revs. G. L. Hardesty and V. S. Collins. Deceased was 22 years of age, and leaves a husband and two children to mourn her untimely death. Interment was made in the M. E. Cemetery, this town, Thursday morning.

PERSONALITIES

Mrs. W. T. Connellee is in Philadelphia.

Miss Alice Gabel spent Sunday in Philadelphia.

Mrs. B. T. Biggs spent Wednesday in Philadelphia.

Mr. Harry Downey was a Townsend visitor Sunday.

Mr. R. L. Taylor was a Sunday visitor in Philadelphia.

Miss Lena Pleasanton was a St. Georges visitor last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Dickinson were in Elkton Sunday.

Mr. Carl Harrington, of Phiiadelphia, spent Sunday in town.

Mr. Albert Alexander, of Wilmington spent Monday in town.

Mrs. J. B. Messick is visiting relatives and friends at Snow Hill, Md.

Miss Mary Brown was the guest of Wilmington friends on Sunday.

Mrs. Catharine Evans, of Georgetown, visited Mrs. A. E. Holten Thursday.

Mr. Sylvester Rose, of Camden, N. J., was the guest of his parents Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Beasten, of Smyrna, were among our Sunday visitors.

Dr. and Mrs. W. E. Barnard spent Thursday and Friday in Philadelphia.

Mrs. H. H. Woodkeeper, of Taylor's Bridge, was among our visitors Thursday.

Mr. Herbert Chamberlain, of Philadelphia, was the guest of his parents over Sunday.

Mr. Stanley Arthurs, of Wilmington, visited his aunt, Mrs. M. B. Burris, on Sunday.

Mr. W. A. Hukill, Sr., and Mr. W. A. Hukill, of Wilmington, were in town Thursday.

Mrs. L. E Barrett who has been suffering from a severe cold for the past fortnight, is improving.

Mrs. L. G. Sterner, of Camden, spent several days in town as the guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Parker.

Mrs. Jacob Murphey, of Woodbury, N. J., was the guest of her daughter, Mrs. W. R. Holten, Thursday and Friday.

Mr. Joseph Mendinhall, of Wilmington, spent Thursday with his father-in-law, Mr. Charles P. Cochran, on South Broad street.

Messrs. Harry D. Johnson and Charles Earnest, of Philadelphia, and W. Edgar Johnson, of Chester, were the guests of Mr. W. H. Johnson over Sunday.

Miss Lena V. Staats and Miss Florie Owens leave to-day for a two weeks visit in East Cambridge, Mass. They will be the guests of Mr. and Mrs. T. A. P. Bordley, formerly of this town.

ODESSA NOTES

Miss Elizabeth M. Temple spent Tuesday in Philadelphia.

Mr. Frank Reed has returned from an extended trip to Baltimore.

Mr. James Dallett, an architect from Wilmington, was in town a part of this week.

Mrs. F. B. Watkins and children spent Thursday with her sister-in-law, Mrs. F. Brady.

Photographer Wilson, of Townsend, was in town Wednesday taking pictures of the "Hildegarde."

Mrs. R. J. Foard has returned to her home at Newark, N. J., accompanied by her aunt, Miss Carrie Watkins, of Odessa.

Mr. Roscoe A. Marvel, of Atlantic City, who is just recovering from an attack of appendicitis, has been spending several weeks with his sister, Mrs. Edward Pleasanton.

Miss Elinore Burgess who has been staying with her grandfather, Mr. William S. VanDyke during the illness of her father, has returned to her home at Ridley Park.

Mr. Walter Dulin and Miss Laura Moore were married in Middletown on Thursday evening, May 9th, by the Rev. Dr. Barrett. The bride and groom will reside in Odessa.

A play, "Cranford" and farce, "The Register," will be given by the young ladies of St. Paul's M. E. Church in the Town Hall on Thursday evening, May 30th, to be followed by a strawberry festival. The festival will be continued on Friday evening, May 31st.

David C. Rose, Justice of the Peace of Odessa, died early Tuesday morning, after a long illness and was buried Thursday at 1.30 o'clock at the M. E. Cemetery. The services were conducted by the Rev. William O. Hurst at the house. The funeral was a very large one, Mr. Rose being one of our oldest and best known citizens. He was at various times coroner of New Caatle County, collector of taxes of Appoquinimink Hundred, and has for a number of years been Justice of the Peace. He leaves a large family of children among whom are: Frank Rose, of Wilmington, and David C. Rose, of Newark, Ex-Representative in the Legislature from Pencader Hundred. The bearers were Messrs. Elias N. Moore, L. V. Aspril, Jr., Gardner Keen, James K. Roberts, Charles T. Johnson and George L. Townsend.

CHILD WITH TWO HEADS

A local protographer has photographed a baby with two heads for a local phasician. It will be sent to a medical college in Philadelphia. The child was born in the western part of the city about three weeks ago. Several doctors were called in to look at it. Both heads were perfect and it was thought for a time that the freak would live. After living for seventeen days the child died.

In order that medical science might have some knowledge of the case the attending physician has written a history of the case. He also arranged to have the baby photographed.—*Wilmington Sun.*

ST. GEORGES ITEMS

Dr. D. W. Dewitt was a Wilmington visitor on Wednesday.

Friends never start to a show again when it looks like rain.

Miss Gertrude Swain was a visitor at "Cherry Villa" farm on Tuesday.

Miss Belle Cush, of Glasgow, Scotland, is visiting her aunt, Mrs. Eliza Cush.

Mrs. Bendler entertained her daughter, Miss Carrie, of Port Penn, part of last week.

Don't forget June 9th, the M. E. Church will hold their Children's Day service.

Messrs. Poke Silvers and Samuel Lester, of Red Lion, were brief callers in town on Monday.

Mr. Elza Stewart, of New Castle, was entertained by his aunt, Miss Elizabeth Riley, on Sunday.

Mr. H. V. Buckson's store has recently been painted inside, which is quite an improvement to it.

Mr. D. W. Cush has just finished painting and papering the country residence of Hon. Levi C. Bird at Reybold's Station.

Mrs. James Cannon, of Bowersville, who has been very ill, we are sorry to report at this writing is not much better.

Mrs. Rommel, of Wilmington, and sister, Miss Rebecca Milligan, of this town, are visiting friends in Salem, N. J.

Mr. Horace W. Gause, president of the Harlan & Hollingsworth Company, of Wilmington, has rented the county residence of Hon. Levi C. Bird, and will take possession to-day.

Mr. Robert Hendrickson, of Wilmington, formerly of Delaware City, was run over by an engine in Wilmington on Monday, cutting one of his legs off above the knee and crushing the other one. He was taken to a hospital in Wilmington immediately after the accident. We are all very sorry for his misfortune and hope he will soon be able to come home.

SHOULD BE APPRECIATED

The effect of any newspaper to build up a town is practically nullified unless it is backed up by the business men of the town. A stranger turns from the news columns of a paper to its advertising columns, and if he fails to find there the business cards of the merchants and professional firms he comes to the conclusion that the editor is not appreciated, in which case it is a good place to keep clear from. No town ever grew without the active assistance of its papers. Nor can papers grow and build up their localities without the assistance of the town. Business men should realize this and remember that in leading support to their local paper they are not only building up their own business, but are helping to support that which is steadily working for the growth of the whole town.—*Press and Printer.*

PULLEN BROTHERS HELD

William W. and John W. C. Pullen, of Milford, were arranged on a charge of defrauding the mails in Magistrate Hollis' court Wilmington Wednesday morning. It was testified by witnesses for the prosecution that Pullen & Bro. had received orders for holly, accompanied by the necessary money but that the holly was never delivered.

William T. Postles and Howard Marvil testified that they had bought and shipped holly for Pullen & Bro. William W. Pullen in behalf of his firm, testified that the firm did not act in bad faith and that the shipments were delayed on account of financial difficulties. District Attorney Byrne looked after the interests of the government and the accused were represented by former Senator Anthony Higgins.

The defendants were held in $2,000 bail each to answer at the next term of the United States Court.

FEW APPLE BLOOMS IN 1901

The first rural wail of the season will probably be the lament of the farmer for the apple trees which have not bloomed and will not bloom until the next year. The failure is not quite general and not entirely common to all varieties. There will be a few apples among the odds and ends. But the great early and late apple crops which were better things last year than the peach crop fails to appear. There will be no cider in the next autumn, no applekill for Christmas, nothing but turnips and popcorn the winter through. The failure is not easily accounted for, and will be classed a mystery by the ordinary observer.—*Ed. Smyrna Call.*

Ladies Can Wear Shoes

one size smaller after using Allen's Foot-Ease, a powder to be shaken into the shoes. It makes tight shoes or new shoes feel easy; gives instant relief to corns and bunions. It's the greatest comfort discovery of the age. Cures and prevents swollen feet, blisters, callous and sore spots. Allen's Foot-Ease is a certain cure for sweating, hot, aching feet. At all Druggists and Shoe Stores, 25c. Trial package FREE by mail. Address, Allen S. Olmsted, LeRoy, N. Y.

Tearing Down Station

Workmen of the P., W. & B. R. R. Co., are tearing down the station at Green Spring, the office having been discontinued sometime ago. The building will be taken to Henderson. The post office at Green Spring closed Tuesday night when Postmaster Benjamin Collins, who now lives in Smyrna was relieved of driving to that place every day. The receipts of the office amounted to about $2.00 per month.

To Get Off at Buffalo

The following civic delegates to the Pan-American Exposition, at Buffalo, have been appointed by Governor Hunn:

New Castle County—W. S. Hilles, S. H. Baynard, John S. Rossell, H. C. Conrad and William Lawton.

Kent County—James L. Wolcott and Charles Brothers.

Sussex County—Joseph L. Cahall, Daniel J. Fooks and J. B. Gilchrist.

Sturgeon Being Caught

Several baby sturgeons were caught in the Delaware river Tuesday and Wednesday by shad fishermen. The fish weighed from 100 to 150 pounds, and are skinned, sliced and find ready sale in the Wilmington markets, many persons using the fish for steak. The fish when cured in salt pickle for forty-eight hours and then smoked is considered a great delicacy and is much sought after.

MRS. McKINLEY NEAR TO DEATH

San Francisco, May 16.—Mrs. McKinley is near to death and may pass away at any moment.

This morning, shortly before dawn, she sank rapidly and it was feared she would die before restoratives could be administered; but she responded to the powerful heart stimulates that were given to her and during the day improved to such an extent that hope of her recovery, slight though it was, revived.

Her life hangs by a thread. The new treatment for low vitality, salt injections into the veins, was administered to Mrs. McKinley and she responded to the treatment.

She has taken no solid food since she reached here on Sunday, and the physicians do not believe she could survive another sinking spell such as she experienced this morning.

She suffers little and bears up bravely. During her periods of consciousness today her mind has been clear. The President is constantly at her bedside, and, although worn by his long vigil, is standing the awful strain with remarkable fortitude.

Every banquet and public function planned in his honor here has been abandoned, and the city, with heavy heart, is watching Mrs. McKinley's battle for life.

Free of Charge

Any adult suffering from a cold settled on the breast, bronchitis, throat or lung troubles of any nature, who will call at J. S. & W. Lattomus, Townsend, will be presented with a sample bottle of Boschee's German Syrup, free of charge. Only one bottle given to one person, and none to children without order from parents.

No throat or lung remedy ever had such a sale as Boschee's German Syrup in all parts of the civilized world. Twenty years ago millions of bottles were given away, and your druggists will tell you its success was marvelous. It is really the only Throat and Lung Remedy generally endorsed by physicians. One 75 cent bottle will cure or prove its value. Sold by dealers in all civilized countries.

Get Green's Prize Almanac.

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Most Delightful Summer Resort of the Allegheníes.

Swept by mountain breezes, 2,800 feet above sea level. Absolutely free from malaria, hay fever and mosquitoes. Reached without change of cars from all principal cities via Baltimore & Ohio Railroad. Every modern convenience. Rooms en suite with private baths. Electric Lights, Long Distance Telephone, Elevator, Turkish Baths, Swimming Pools, Golf Links, Tennis Courts, Bowling Alleys, Magnificent Drives, Complete Livery Service, Annapolis Naval Academy Band. Hotel remodeled with additional conveniences. All cottages have been taken for the season. Open from June 22d to September 30th.

For rates and information address W. E. Burwell, Manager, care Queen City Hotel, Cumberland, Md., until June 1st. After that time, Deer Park, Garrett County, Md.

CURRENT PRICES

MIDDLETOWN GRAIN MARKET.
CORRECTED WEEKLY BY JOHN W. JOLLS.

Wheat—No. 1	77	Corn—	
No. 2	74	Yellow, shelled	47
Timothy Seed	$2.50	" cob	40
Clover Seed lb	13c	Oats	30

MIDDLETOWN PRODUCE MARKET.
CORRECTED WEEKLY BY W. T. CONNELLEE.

Eggs, per doz	12@14
Country Butter, per lb	22@25
Creamery Butter, per lb	27
Lard, per lb	8@10
Live Chickens, per lb	8@10
Ducks, Dressed, per lb	10@12
Potatoes, per basket	@45

Save Your Money.
One box of Tutt's Pills will save many dollars in doctors' bills They will surely cure all diseases of the stomach, liver or bowels.
No Reckless Assertion
For sick headache, dyspepsia, malaria, constipation and biliousness, a million people endorse
TUTT'S Liver PILLS

Go to STEELE'S
—FOR—
FLOWERS
at Reasonable Prices . . . . .

Carnations
In bloom 10c per pot
300,000 Early Cabbage Plants--ready to book orders.

E. J. STEELE, Florist,
Middletown, Del.

WALL PAPER!
LARGE VARIETY,
NEW STOCK,
LOW PRICES.

Paints, Oils, Glass, Enamels, Stains, Brushes, and everything used in the Painting and Decorating line . . . .

PICTURES FRAMED TO ORDER.
WALTER MONRO,
East Main Street, Middletown, Del.

NEW PILE CURE
Esculett (eaten like candy, no local treatment required.) Relieves promptly, reduces enlarged veins, corrects excessive blood pressure. Cure permanently. Sold and guaranteed by
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Messick's

When you buy anything here you are not paying the bad debts of some one else. We do a CASH business on a close margin. You pay only for what you get, not for what the other fellow gets.

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Here are a few genuine bargains you'll not find at any other store except MESSICK'S . . . .

$2.38 Chamber Set, large size, handsomely decorated, fully worth $3.50.
3c. Individual Butter Dishes, plain white, the 5c. kind.
10c. Imitation Cut Glass, large variety, Sugar and Butter Dishes, you'll think them cheap at double the price.
25c. Large size Split Clothes Baskets, instead of 50c.
75c. Heavy Galvanized Wash Boilers, most stores charge $1.50.
10c. Boys' Knee Pants, sizes 3 to 16 years, regular price 25c.
6½c. Made Pillow Cases, full bleached, 36x42 inches, deep hem, regular price 10c.
19c. Ingrain Carpet, new spring patterns, regular price 25c. a yard.
$13.75, 100-piece Dinner Sets, finest English china, pure gold traced, beautiful new shapes, the actual value is $18.00.
25c. Tumblers, ½ pint, plain and ribbed, four styles, regular price, 35c. per dozen.
25c. a yard, extra heavy Rag Carpet, worth 35c.

Notions to be had at this Store from 25 to 100 per cent. less than regular price. Here is a chance to make practical and profitable use of your pennies . . . .

Needles, all sizes, **1c.** a paper, worth 5c.
Six Hook Corset Steels, **5c.,** worth 10c.
P. N. Corset Steels, cork protected, **8c.,** worth 15 cents.
3c. Curling Irons, worth 10c.
3c. Tracing Wheels, worth 10c.
6-inch Scissors, **7c.,** worth 15c.
Best Steel Pointed Hair Pins, **2c.,** worth 5c.
Black Dress Pins, in boxes, **2c.,** worth 5c.
DeLong Hooks and Eyes, all sizes, in black, gray and white, **8c.** a card of 2 dozen.
Stockinet Dress Shields, **8c.** a pair, worth 12c.
Silk Bone Casing, **1c.** a yard, worth 3c.
Pins, full count, **1c.** a paper, worth 3c.
Nickle Plated Safety Pins, **2c.** a dozen, worth 5c.
Sewing Machine Oil, best **3c.** bottles of 4 ounces, worth 10c.
200 yards best quality Basting Cotton, **2c.** a spool, worth 3c.
Cotton Tape, all widths, **2c.** a roll, worth 3c.
Dexter Knitting Cotton, **5c.** a ball, worth 8c.
Lamb Wool Soles, the 25c. kind, **19c.**
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at 10 o'clock, A. M.,
the following described real estate, viz:

All his undivided interest in all that certain tract or parcel of land situate in Appoquinimink hundred, New Castle county and State of Delaware, known as the "Gibbs farm," adjoining lands of Mary H. Warren, Samuel Johnson, on the south and adjoining lands of Samuel R. Warren and others on the west and north, containing 204 acres, more or less.

Being the same lands and tenements which were conveyed to the said George W. Skaggs by indenture of Charles B. Evans, bearing date the fifth day of June, A. D. 1893, and of record in the office for the recording of deeds, etc., in Deed Record D., Vol. 16, Page 258, etc., which said interest consists of one hundred and four acres, more or less, to be laid off according to the provisions of item 2d, of the last will and testament of William Skaggs, deceased, late of Appoquinimink hundred, as follows, to-wit:

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the following described real estate, viz:

No. 1. All that certain tract or parcel of land situate in Appoquinimink Hundred, New Castle county and State of Delaware, bounded by the public road leading across the "Levels," by lands late of James Kanely, by lands of Henry H. Brady, by lands of Mrs. Anna W. Godwin, and by other lands late of John P. Cochran, and more particularly described as follows, to-wit:

Beginning at a point in center of the public road leading across the "Levels" to Wilson's Cross Roads and the Sassafras Road, being a corner for other land of the said John P. Cochran, and in line of lands of Joseph Roberts; thence with the said road and the said Robert's line, south twenty-three degrees west; twenty-three and three-tenths perches to a point in the said road, a corner for said Roberts, and for lands of David Gibbs; thence with said Gibbs' south thirty-one and one-half degrees west, forty-three and one tenth perches, to a point in said road, a corner for these premises and for lands of James Kanely; thence with said Kanely, leaving said road and with lands of Henry H. Brady, north sixty-six and one-half degrees, west one hundred and seventy-two and eight-tenth perches to a point in said Brady's line, a corner for these premises and for lands of Mrs. Anna W. Godwin; thence with the said Godwin north twenty-four and three-quarter degrees east sixty-three and three-tenths perches to a point in said Godwin's line, a corner for these premises and for other lands of the said John P. Cochran, and thence therewith south sixty-seven degrees east, one hundred and seventy-seven and one-tenth perches, to the place of beginning. Containing seventy-one acres and eleven square perches of land, be the same more or less.

No. 2. All the part, share, right and interest, of the said Julian Cochran, of and in all that farm or tract of land, situate in St. Georges Hundred, New Castle county, aforesaid, being one undivided equal sixth part thereof, and bounded and described as follows, to-wit:

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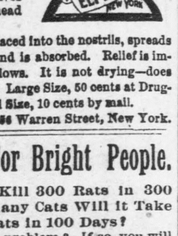
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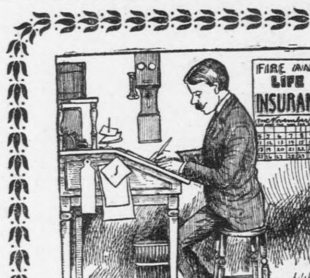
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"Uncle," said I, "to your plain proposition I will give a plain answer. I have too much regard for the truth to say I care nothing for your money; but when you ask me to choose between your gold and that adorable girl—who is not uneducated, though she is the daughter of a poor man—I say, that for your money-bags!"

And I snapped my fingers with as flippant an air as I could assume.

"Besides," I added, with a laugh, "you talk as if you were a millionaire with one foot in the grave, instead of a moderately wealthy man almost in the prime of life."

This was a diplomatic attempt at conciliation on my part, for it was the one weakness on my otherwise sensible old uncle that he clung to his long-departed youth with all the tenacity of a disappointed old maid. To appear to notice his growing infirmities, or even to treat him with the marked consideration and deference usually shown to the aged and infirm, was to give my uncle the direst offense; while, on the other hand, to address him with the flippant offhand manner of one young man to another, and to converse with him on golf and football as though he were still an active participant in those sports, was the surest and straightest way to his heart. However, he was too thoroughly determined on this occasion to be turned from his purpose my mere flattery, though I could see he was pleased all the same.

"Well," he said, "I have been thinking of looking up my Cousin Josiah for some time. I have not seen him for over thirty years; but it is petty-minded to keep up a disagreement so long."

So my interview ended.

It was shortly after this conversation with my uncle that I received an invitation to visit my relative Josiah Sheldrake. I marvelled a great deal at this attention on his part, for I had never met my cousin before. He was pastor of an out-of-the-way country town in the Midlands; but as I was anxious to know what manner of man it was who threatened to supplant me I elected to go.

I found Josiah a smooth-mannered, elderly man, some ten years my uncle's junior. I received a very cordial welcome, but I soon began to perceive the object of their sudden desire for my acquaintance.

My uncle had written his cousin, expressing his intention of visiting him, with a view to renewing friendly relations, and had given him a plain intimation of how matters stood with regard to myself. And now they had sent for me, as his most intimate relative, in order that they might worm out of me all his little weaknesses and idiosyncrasies, and thus be prepared to worm themselves into his favor when the proposed visit should come off. I was simply boiling over with indignation at this duplicity. Here was I, an orphan and a penniless student of the law, brought up in the certainty of inheriting my uncle's great wealth, dependent upon him almost as upon a father; and here was my sleek, comfortable cousin, with ample means to support himself and his family, trying to secure my assistance in my own undoing. I showed no trace of annoyance, however.

"My dear boy," said Josiah, laying his heavy hand with ponderous friendliness upon my shoulder—"my dear Cousin Fred, I cannot express my appreciation of your noble conduct. In refusing to allow your wordly prospects to hinder you from following the dictates of your own heart. Stick to her, my boy—stick to her, come what may."

"Thank you," I said, "for your kind encouragement. I wish my uncle could hear your views on the matter."

He started slightly, and looked uncomfortable.

"Of course, you know," I continued, "the old man isn't a bad short, on the whole, when you understand him; but you have to stroke him the right way."

Josiah pricked up his large, red ears, the ladies laid down their work, and I could see that the whole family was on the alert to know which was the right way.

"Well," I said, "I don't think he is exactly eccentric. I suppose it is only natural for a man of his years to begin to think a good deal about himself and his little ailments. Naturally, being a bachelor, Uncle George misses the tender attentions usually bestowed on the aged. For instance," I continued, warming to the subject, "is it to be expected that an infirm old man, with only one tooth and a weak digestion, could eat anything tougher than chicken-broth and milk-pudding?"

"Most certainly not!" said Josiah.

"He suffers dreadfully from rheumatism," I went on; "and I often think he should be better looked after in the way of avoiding damp and cold—warming his bed and so on. He is very deaf, too. Of course, all these little ailments make him a trifle grumpy in his manner; but I think he is grateful for any little kindness and assistance, though he does not always show it on the surface."

On the day I had fixed for my departure, a telegram was received from Uncle George to the effect that he would arrive by the next train. All was immediately bustle and confusion, for he had not been expected till the following week; but for my part I was rather glad he had changed his plans, as I had a curious longing to witness his reception. There was no time to meet him at the station, as the train was almost due; but Selina and Matilda were stationed at the window to watch for him.

"My dears," their father had said to them, "I think as Cousin George is so very much your senior it would sound more respectful and dutiful on your part to address him as 'Uncle' George, although, of course, he is really your first cousin once removed." Which they promised to do.

At last he arrived. I remained in the drawing-room, but from the window I could see and hear all that happened.

"Go and assist your uncle to alight, my dears," said Josiah to his daughters. And they ran down the steps to the door of the cab.

As the old man stepped jauntily but stiffly out they clutched him tightly by the arm, one each side, as though to prevent him from falling, while they shouted in his ears:

"We are glad to see you, dear Uncle George! We are Selina and Matilda!"

My uncle beamed, and drew their arms more tightly through his, for he was a terrible man for the ladies. He was very carefully gotten up, with a flower in his coat, and his thin white moustache waxed and curled. An effusive welcome awaited him from his host and hostess. They almost carried him into the dining-room, where a surprised stare was all the greeting I received. All the time Selina and Matilda kept careful hold of his arms.

"My dears," said the mother, "why do you not hold your uncle tighter, so as to give him more support?"

"Support, madam?" said my uncle, extricating himself from their grasp, and fixing her with a suddenly ferocious stare. "And why? Were you under the impression that I had sprained my ankle, or what?"

And the good woman was so confused that she dropped her eyes, and stammered, "Er—yes!"

"No, madam," he said, somewhat relieved; "the report is without foundation. I am happy to say that I am in the best of health."

"I am indeed thankful to hear that, cousin," put in Josiah. "When a man has passed the allotted threescore years and ten, every day of health must surely be regarded as a great blessing?"

My uncle made no reply, but regarded him with indignation, thenceforth totally ignored him.

Things went on pretty well till dinner. Finding it impossible to engage his cousin in conversation, Josiah, talked chiefly to me, and the old man was left to enjoy the society of the ladies. He seemed a little annoyed at their persistence in shouting to him at the top of their voices, for he was not really very deaf—indeed, he always claimed to have very good hearing. He was none too pleased, either, when they insisted on his occupying the most comfortable chair in the room, and drawing it close up to the fire, so that he might warm his poor old feet upon the fender.

I noticed these things seemed to irritate him a good deal, though, I fancy, he attributed a good deal of their solicitude to the natural motherly tenderness innate in all women.

Dinner that day was an interesting meal. The damp weather we had been having had brought out my uncle's rheumatism, especially in his knees, and he winced perceptibly as he took the seat allotted to him at the table.

"Poor, dear old man!" murmured my relatives wife in an audible undertone to her daughters. "How sad it is to see him suffer so!"

My uncle glanced wrathfully across the table at her, but made no remark. I could see that the old man's inward resentment was bubbling up dangerously near the surface.

"Now, dear Cousin George," she said, when the second course came on, "here is a little dish which I have prepared expressly for you with my own hands. It is minced chicked, and, though it is very nourishing and sustaining, you will find it requires scarcely any chewing, and is so easy of digestion it would not harm an infant."

As she spoke my uncle seemed to swell, till I thought he would burst with wrath.

"It is very kind of you," he said, in a voice which was calm with the calmness of a slumbering volcano; "but, if it is all the same to you, I will take a slice of beef."

Josiah, who was carving the sirloin, looked dubious. He was not sure whether he ought to allow the old man to indulge in such wilful folly. However, he helped him to a very small portion, and the meal proceeded in silence. I believe I was the only person present who was quite comfortable and happy, and I was sure I was the only one who had any appetite. When the dessert came on, I could see Mrs. Sheldrake had another little announcement to make; and I could not help pitying the poor woman, she looked so thoroughly scared and nervous.

"I—er—of course know, dear cousin," she said tremblingly, "that you could not take pastry of any kind, so I—er—made you a nice little tapioca pudding. I am sure you need not fear to try it, as it is perfectly easy to chew, and very digest——"

"* * * *!" said my uncle.

Everyone started. The ladies screamed.

"Cousin," said Josiah, in a voice that had more of sorrow in it than of anger, "I am, of course, aware that the infirmities of age are a sore trial to you, and doubtless cause irritability and difficulty of self-restraint; but my daughters have been most carefully brought up, and I trust you will excuse me when I beg you to endeavor to refrain from such language before them."

"Infirmities of age?" snarled my uncle. "Why, man, what a pity you didn't send a wheel-chair to the station to meet me, and keep a nurse in the house to attend to me, and a doctor!"

"Well, really cousin," stammered Josiah apologetically, "had I known you required those things, I would certainly have provided them; but I had no idea Time had laid so heavy a hand——"

But the rest of his sentence died in his mouth, for the look of blazing fury which his guest shot at him would have stilled the tongue of a braver man than he. A painful and almost audible silence fell on the little party, and even I felt a distinct sense of relief when the meal was over.

I had arranged to terminate my visit that evening, and was obliged to leave immediately after dinner to catch my train. No one attempted to detain me, for I believe it was the general impression that my presence exasperated the terrible old man.

"You'll find him all right to-morrow," I remarked confidentially to my cousin, on leaving. "It's that nasty rheumatism that's bothering him. See that he has a good fire in his room to-night, with plenty of bed-warmers, hot-water bottles, and flannels, and things, and you'll find him quite lively in the morning."

And, as I glanced at the persecuted man, standing among his tormentors, tugging furiously at his long, white moustache, I doubted not that my prophecy would come true. In fact, I was not at all surprised the next morning to receive a telegram from my uncle at his own address.

"Come at once, and bring the girl.—UNCLE GEORGE."

The girl? What girl? Whom could he mean but Nancy? Was he relenting? I hurried off to fetch the darling of my heart, and conveyed her, blushing and beautiful, into the presence of my mother's brother. They had never met before, but I had carefully instructed Nancy.

"Oh, Mr. Ribstone," she exclaimed, after the introduction had been gone through, "what a charming view of the river you have from your house! Do you row much? I row a little myself; but I soon get tired. It is so different for a man!" she sighed.

The old man's face brightened. It was immensely gratifying to him that this healthy, blooming girl should think him more vigorous than herself. I could see that she had made a good impression, and I strolled away into the conservatory for a few minutes. When I returned, I was intensely amused to find that the two were carrying on a desperate flirtation. I stifled my desire to laugh, however, and frowned heavily.

"Why, you dear old silly!" laughed Nancy, "I do believe you are jealous! Isn't it absurd Mr. Ribstone?" she said, turning to him, with a pretty gesture. "Fred hates to see me talking to another man!"

"Oh, that's what he's looking so sullen about, is it?" said my uncle, his face positively beaming. "Come, Fred, my boy, you don't think I want to rob you of your prize, do you, eh?"

He took my arm and drew me aside.

"See here, my boy," he said, "that's a pretty girl, and remarkably sensible for a woman. Of course, it's a great mistake to marry a penniless girl, but I admit it's a temptation in this case. In consideration of your many other good points, however, perhaps I may be induced to overlook this one mistake."

After that my studies continued without interruption. I am called to the Bar now, though if we wished it, Nancy and I could live in idleness on the income which Uncle George left us.

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Officers Elected

Before the District Sunday School Convention adjourned Sunday night, after a two days' session in Bethel M. E. Church, near Chesapeake City, the following officers were elected for the year: Charles Kirk, president; Rev. Mr. Brown, of Warwick, vice president; Miss Lidie Alexander, of Elkton, secretary and treasurer; Miss Lelia McCoy, Miss Katie Murray and Fred McIntire were elected delegates to the county convention. Warwick, Cecil county, was chosen as the next place of meeting.

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	PAS. A. M.	EXP. A. M.	PAS. P. M.	MAIL P. M.	MAIL P. M.	EXP P. M.
Philadelphia	§7.25	‡10 20	§2.20	§3 58	§5:59	‡11.23
Baltimore	6.25	8.03	1.18	2 01	4:20	
Wilmington	8 13	11.06	3.03	4.39	6:58	11.25
Farnhurst	f 8.22		f 3 12		f7.07	
New Castle	8 28		3.17	4.52	7.12	
State Road	f8.34		f 3 22		f7:17	
Bear	f8.39		f 3.27	f 5.01	7:22	
Porter	8.47		f 3.32	5 05	7:28	
Kirkwood	8.52		f 3.37		7:33	
Mt. Pleasant	9.01		f 3.45		f 7:41	
Armstrong	f 9.05		f 3.49		f 7:45	
Middletown	9.11	11.50	3.54	5 3	7:51	12.54
Townsend	9.19		4.01	5 40	7:59	
Blackbird	f 9.23		f 4.11		f 8:04	
Gr'n Spring	f 9.28		f 4.17		f8:10	
Clayton	9 34	12 07	4.22	5.54	8:16	
Smyrna LV	9 24	11.57	4.12	5 44	8:06	
Brenford	f9.39		f 4.27		f8:21	
Cheswold	f9.44		f 4.32		f8:27	
Dupont			f 4.35			
Dover	9.58	12.23	4.42	6 12	8:37	1.31
Wyoming	10.05	f12.29	4.48	6.18	8:43	a 1.39
Woodside	f10 11			f 6.24	f8.50	
Viola	f10.15			f 6.28	f8.54	
Felton	10.20	12.40		6.33	8.59	
Harrington	10 34	12.53		6.46	9.10	
Georgetown	11.34			7 45		
Berlin	12.33			8·44		
Ocean City (B C & A Ry	12.45			10 35		
Farmington	f10 42			f 6.54	f9.18	
Greenwood	10.50	f 1 08		f 7 02	f9.26	
Bridgeville	10.58	f 1.16		7 10	9.34	a 2.29
Cannons	f11 03			f 7.15	f9.39	
Seaford	11.13	1.27		7.24	9 48	2.41
Laurel	11.23	1.37		7.34	9 58	a 2.58
Delmar	11.33	1.46		7.43	10 08	3.05
	AM	PM	PM	PM	PM	AM

NORTHWARD.

	EXP. A. M.	MAIL A. M.	EXP. A. M.	MAIL A. M.	EXP. P. M.	PAS. P. M.
Delmar	‡1.08		§7.05	§8 00	§2 15	§3.30
Laurel	f 1.21		7.16	8.10	2.25	3.41
Seaford	1.34		7.28	8.24	2.35	3.56
Cannons			f 7.36	f 8.31		f 4.04
Bridgeville	f 1.48		7.42	8.37	f 2 46	4.11
Greenwood			f7.50	f 8.45	f 2.54	f 4.19
Farmington			f 7.58	f 8.53		f 4.27
Ocean City (B C & A Ry				6 40		*2.10
Berlin				6.56		2.38
Georgetown				8 06		3.42
Harrington	2.23		8.10	9 06		4:41
Felton	f 2.33		8.19	9.16		4:50
Viola			f8.23	f 9.20		f 4:54
Woodside			f8 27	f 9.24	f 3 30	f 4.58
Wyoming	p 2:46	§6.57	8 31	9.31	3.36	5:06
Dover	2.59	7.03	8.40	9.38		6.12
Dupont		f7 08				
Cheswold		f7.13		f 9.49		f 5:21
Brenford		f7.18		f 9.54		f 5:26
Smyrna LV		7.15	8 43	9 51	3.41	5.21
Clayton	3.09	7.25	8 58	10 01	3.54	5:31
Gr'n Spring		f7.29				f 5:35
Blackbird		f7.35		f10 09		f5:46
Townsend		7 40	9 11	10 14	4 07	5.51
Middletown	3.30	7.56	9 20	10.23	4.16	f6:04
Armstrong		f7.54				6:00
Mt Pleasant		7.58		f10 31		6:00
Kirkwood		8.08		10.40		6 18
Porter		8.15	9 40	10.46	4.36	6:17
Bear		f8.20		f10.51		6.28
State Road		f8.25		f10 56		f 6:33
New Castle		8.31		11.01		6:38
Farnhurst		f8.36	9.57	f11.06		f 6.43
Wilmington	4 15	8 45		11.15	5 02	6:52
Baltimore	6 19	10.31		12.35	7.05	8:40
Philadelphia	5.10	9.32		12.06	5.46	7:42
	AM	AM	AM	PM	PM	PM

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Chester, week days, 5 30, ‡6 50, 7.30 ‡8 25, ‡9 39 ‡10.52, 11.08 a m.; ‡2.34, 3.00, ‡5.25, 6.35, ‡7.42, ‡10.52 p. m. Sundays, 7.30, 8 50, ‡9.39 10.53, ‡11 35 a. m.; ‡2.34, 3.00. 6.35, ‡7 42, 9.08, ‡10 52 p. m.

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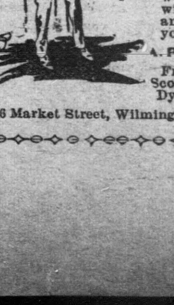
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